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20-2-6: Public Meeting to Consider Policy Recommendations to Increase the Use of Zero-Emission Vehicles per Senate Bill 498

Talking Points

Good Morning Chair Nichols, CARB Board and Staff,

My name is Mike Neuenburg and I'm representing the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District.

- It is a pleasure for me to speak to all of you today in support of the proposal to consider policy recommendations to increase the use of Zero-Emission Vehicles (ZEV) per Senate Bill (SB) 498, and to share some highlights within the Sacramento region.
- Transportation emissions are a dominant source of air pollution within the Sacramento Region and disadvantaged communities. The policy recommendations outlined today will have a direct, immediate impact, while ensuring the long-term sustainability need for zero emission technology deployment.
- The Sac Metro Air District in cooperative efforts with SACOG, and local governments is actively deploying and influencing numerous zero emission projects including well over 100 school buses, 25 transit buses, 75 medium-duty and heavy-duty trucks, plus many infrastructure projects. Examples include the big class 8 trucks with Lyon and Tesla, micro transit and airport shuttle buses, food delivery and refuse trucks. Reducing overall exposure to air pollution and providing economic benefits for the communities we serve.
- Additionally, we have moved into the light-duty and mobility markets by piloting "Our Community Carshare" a unique carsharing and ride-hailing program, supporting new mobility hubs such as Greentech, and we are in the final stages of breaking ground with Clean Cars 4 All. Furthering assistance to the disadvantaged communities most at need, while also providing education and technical training opportunities.
- Funding for these programs have come from our local SECAT, Moyer, & Community Air Protection programs.
- New vehicle purchasing without scrap under SECAT, which operates similarly to the State HVIP (Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project) Program, has been extremely successful. This year, within a couple days the State HVIP for FY 19-20 was fully allocated, highlighting a critical need to identify additional funding sources. Making a minor change to the State Moyer Guidelines to allow this provision would accelerate zero emission deployment and allow fleets additional funding opportunities.
- This effort would support the Sacramento and West Sacramento's Mayor Climate Commission to get 70% of new vehicle registration to be zero emission vehicles

- by 2030 and 100% electrification for all vehicles by 2045 to meet the overall goal of being carbon free in 2045
- Sac Metro Air District supports our partner SMUD in leading the efforts with the California Mobility Center or CMC. The CMC effort have brought public, private and academia together to focus on the research, policy, development and manufacturing of the most innovative zero-emission transportation technologies. Some of our local partners include: SMUD, UC Davis, CSU Sacramento, Los Rios Community Colleges, the Greater Sacramento Economic Council, the City of Sacramento and many others pushing transportation technology and policy to zero to achieve our California climate goals.
- Thank you for allowing our agency the opportunity to speak to you today.